

# Astronomy PowerPoint Project

**Your presentation must include the following slides (at a minimum) :**

#1. Title Slide - What is the topic of this presentation? Include title, members names, and period number.

#2. Overview - Provide an overview of the information you are going to discuss in your presentation. This should be the LAST slide you do! Think of it like an outline or table of contents that tells the viewer what your presentation will be about (JUST the topics; no details). Tell us what you're going to tell us.

#3-6. Details! Include what's important about your topic. This will be the majority of your slides. If you're having difficulty coming up with ideas to research, see me!

#7. Follow up questions:

The last slide in your presentation needs to be two good follow up questions about what you just presented (Think of them as review questions to see if the rest of the class is following along). DO NOT PUT THE ANSWERS ON THE SLIDE!

## **Requirements:**

Try NOT to use sentences and definitely NO paragraphs on the slides - Use bulleted text!  
(The slides are your "cue" cards; an outline for what you will tell us)

Use LOTS of pictures, videos, and animations - words are boring to look at

Use your OWN words - I can tell if you copy and paste text from the internet. 8<sup>th</sup> graders usually don't write like professional astronomers or scientists from NASA. Re-word information in your presentation. If you don't understand it, ask me, research it, or find something else to use. Plagiarizing information will result in a substantial loss in points.

MINIMUM of 7 slides - you can (and should) have more, but if you have less you will be penalized...

At least one example of a video- video(s) should be less than 2 minutes in length.

Edit for time if necessary using Microsoft Movie Maker. See the "Video Download Instructions" in my "Shared" folder for information on how to find and download video clips from an educational source.

When you think you're f\$%^@#!d... remember... you can ALWAYS make it better!!!!

## During your presentation:

You may glance at the presentation, but do not read from your slides. Keep good eye contact and volume. Each person must speak during the presentation.

This is a 50pt assignment.

As this is a group project, it is expected that each individual in the group "pulls their weight." Be aware, different individuals have different skill sets and different abilities. Groups that work well together and see adequate contributions from all members generally will earn the same grade on the assignment. If I say your name often during the course of this project (because you're not doing what you're supposed to be doing), don't be surprised when your grade is much lower than your group's. You will be graded on your participation/effort in the lab along with the quality of the finished PowerPoint Presentation turned-in.